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Hon. Dan Morales
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Attention: Madeleine B. Johnson
Chairman, Opinion Committee

RE: 1. IS THE HARRIS COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD
AUTHORIZED BY TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN. ART. 2372p-3 TO
ISSUE MORE THAN ONE BAIL BOND LICENSE TO A CORPORATE
SURETY?

2. IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION NUMBER 1 IS
"YES", HOW MANY VOTES WOULD A CORPORATE SURETY WITH
MULTIPLE LICENSES BE ENTITLED TO IN THE ELECTION OF THE
BONDSMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE HARRIS COUNTY BAIL BOND
BOARD?

Dear Sir:

Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Ann. art. 2372p-3 (Vernon Supp. 1992)
contains provisions relating to the business of executing bail
bonds and, as part thereof, provides for the creation of a County
Bail Bond Board in all counties with a population of 110,000 or
more. The Harris County Bail Bond Board has requested advice on
the above-referenced questions which deal with the authority of the
Harris County Bail Bond Board to issue multiple licenses to a
corporate surety and the number of votes a corporate surety who has
obtained multiple licenses is entitled to in the election of the
bondsmen's representative to the Board.

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Please furnish us with your opinion on the questions presented. A Memorandum Brief is enclosed. In that the election of the bondsmen's representative to the Harris County Bail Bond Board is scheduled for December 9, 1992, we would appreciate your replying before that date.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure